WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Promotion of Village Industries in Gujarat

1. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of villages in Gujarat where people have been engaged by the Khadi and Village Industry Commission in the village industries, alongwith the people engaged therein;

(b) the details of the village industries/institutions which have been registered;

(c) the details of villages wherein KVIC is making production, alongwith the details of workers employed;

(d) whther there is any programme under the consideration of Government with regard to expansion of such industries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN): (a) The approximate number of villa^s covered under KVI programme in Gujarat State are 5200 wherein 1.55 lakh persons have been engaged under village industries.

(b) 35 Institutions and 897 Cooperative Societies are registered for implementation of Khadi and Village Industries Programme in the State of Gujaijat.

(c) As on 31.3.1999 the number of villages covered are around 5200, wherein about 55000 perosns are employed.

(d) and (e) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government at present to modify the definition of village industries.

Contribution of Industrial Sector to GDP

†2. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that contribution of the industrial sector to the Gross Domestic product of the country has declined;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.